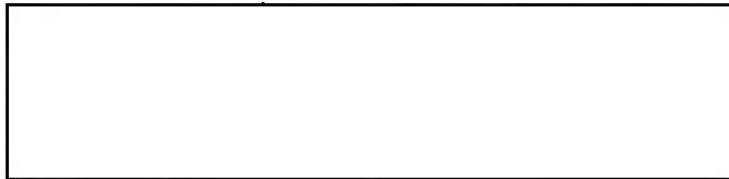


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March 20, 1970

Mr. Richard Helms, Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Dick:

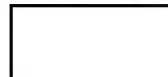
I sincerely appreciate your letter of March 16 recommending consideration of Mr. Howard Hunt.

It is true that our Director - Public Relations will retire a little over a year from now. In anticipation, we have been considering various alternatives including reorganization and promotion from within as well as hiring from outside the company.

Because we still have considerable time, it will be some while before a decision will be made. Consequently, we may not be able to meet Mr. Hunt's time schedule. If we should decide to look outside  and if Mr. Hunt is still available at that time, we will give him every consideration.

Again, my thanks for calling Mr. Hunt to our attention.

Very truly yours,



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